

Worship Intercessors



Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

– NKJV 2 Corinthians 10:5

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

– NIV 2 Corinthians 10:4-5

Welcome to “The Hour of Power”



This is a time of intensive intercessory prayer during an hour of worship and preaching. Charles Haddon Spurgeon was known as the "Prince of Preachers," yet his secret was not his eloquence or personal charisma, it was in the secret prayer meeting that prevailed while he preached. Mr. Spurgeon repeatedly acknowledged his success as the direct result of his

congregation's faithful prayers. "It has often been remarked that the whole church helped produce Spurgeon." When visitors would come to Spurgeon's church he would take them to the basement prayer-room where people were always on their knees interceding. Then Spurgeon would declare, "Here is the powerhouse of this church." He wrote, "*When I have preached my very heart out. I could not say any more than I have said. ... your prayers will accomplish that which my preaching fails to do? Oh dear friends! Let us agonize in prayer.*"

Moses also knew the secret of power was not in oratory, but in the power of prevailing prayer.

the Amalakites
the army in battle
Yet alone he could
Hur assisted him by
heaven as he prayed.
lifted in prayer the
when his arms



During the battle with
(Exodus 17) Joshua led
while Moses prayed.
not prevail. Aaron and
lifting his arms toward
As his arms remained
battle prevailed, but
became heavy and

lowered the battle went against them. God commanded a memorial to be written to remind men of this event for all time. Moses called the place, "*Jehovah-Nissi*", *for hands were lifted up to the throne of the LORD.*" May the Banner covering all our meetings be the Shekinah Glory – the Presence of the Lord!

The Hour of Power

This is an hour of solid prayer. It is not a time for conversation with men, but for conversations with Almighty God in prevailing prayer.

The Purpose:

The purpose is prevailing intercession for the pastor, worship team, and for the people's response to the Word. Please bring your Bible, a notebook and pen to write down your prayer burdens. Use the guide to order your prayer time.

The Place:

The place available to us presently is limited in size. It is immediately behind the platform area. It is simply a narrow hallway behind the platform with two very small rooms with a place to kneel.

The People:

All volunteers must attend an orientation and training class before entering the "boiler room" of prayer. Both men and women are welcome to participate. You must sign up for the designated time slot. We do not allow men and women to be in the area together. So we have scheduled Male and Female times of prayer, which are alternated each week between the two services, 9:30 am and 11:00 am. You may sign up in the office.

The Procedure:

We have developed a purposeful guide to this hour of prayer. Let this guide be a guide. Do not be a slave to any outline for prayer. Let the Spirit of God lead you. The purpose of the guide is to provide a framework for those who may not know what to do with 70 minutes of prayer during a worship service. Make this a time for worship and intercession.

You are to take your place behind the platform at least 5 minutes prior to the start of worship. A notebook is available to help and guide you through your time of prayer. Please follow the guide. It is tailored to follow the rhythm of the service, beginning slowly with personal preparation, then prayer for people, and finally prayer for power and anointing on the service.

* We have provided helpful documents to assist you in prayer in each prayer room.

Outline of the Hour of Power



You have volunteered to stand in the gap (Ezekiel 22:30) and make up a hedge for the people and the word of God during this worship hour. You are acting like Aaron and Hur on the mountain with Moses (Exodus 17:10-12) you are to lift up his weary arms as the battle rages. An hour is hardly enough once you enter into the heart of God and the mind of the Spirit (Romans 8:26-27).

The Preparation

Wait on the Lord - Be Silent, Be Still

Confession – Personal Cleansing & Surrender

Worship – Songs to God & Exalt Name of the Lord *

The Pastor

Deliverance from temptation and distractions

Strength physically in the Lord

Anoint his lips and heart.

Clear mind and give utterance

The People

Saints – Use Faces, Names, Prayer Cards, individuals *

Souls – Pray for Conviction, Insight, Faith, Salvation *

Sick – Spiritual, Physical, Emotional, Marital

Sinners – Conviction over sin, backsliding, disobedience

The Power

Word – 101 Promises to Pray & Claim *

Work – 36 Prayers for People *

Wonders – Healing, signs, miracles, demonstration of power

Close

Use Authority – Raise the rod of your authority *

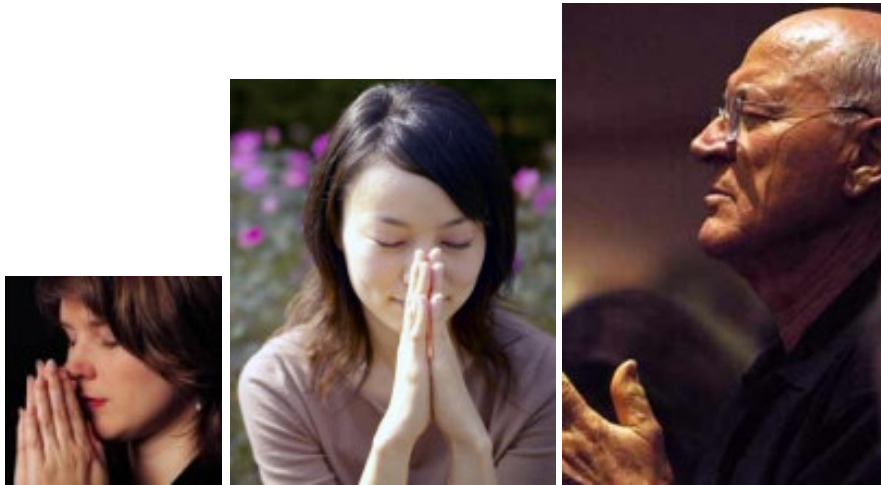
Use the Word of God – Proclaim the Scriptures & Claim the Promises *

Wait confidently in Thanksgiving & Reading of Scripture out loud

Wait for God's Burden. Go where he leads you in prayer.

*My soul, waits only upon God;
for my expectation is from him. – Psalms 62:5*

Guide to Life-Changing Intercessory Prayer



A Guide for Praying During The Hour of Power

Hebrews 5:7 During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

Matthew 26:38-41 Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me." 40. Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. 41. "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."

Shielding Your Pastor in Prayer

by Kevin Snyder

1. Start by having a pure heart, a right standing with God. Be in the Light.

1 Jn.1:5-9; James 5:16; Ps.66:18

2. Prepare yourself for this task. It's not about you, but the Lord and His church.

2Tim.2:1:5; 1Thess .5:17; Eph.6: 10-18 (Full Armor of God)

3. Command in His Authority. Don't just ask as you pray. You are a child of God, a

Prayer Warrior. 1 Jn.4:4; Acts 16:18; Titus 2:15

4. Pray believing in your request of Almighty God. Faith can move mountains.

Mt.8:5-13; Eph.2:8-10; Gal.3:9,14,22,26-29; Rm.3:21-26; Heb.11:1,6.

These are some of the things your prayers should consist of:

1. Pray that God would cast out all evil, binding the spirit of Satan our church.

James 4:7; Rev. 12:7-9, 10-12

2. Pray that He will place His guardian angels around this church, making a Shield of protection over this church.

Gen.3:24; Dan.6:22; Ps.91:11; Ps.5:12; Ps.18:1-3; Ps.103:20-22; Ps.119:114; Acts 12:11

3. Plead the blood of Christ over this church (Pastor and congregation)

Eph.1:7-8; 2:13; Col.1:20; Heb.9:12-14; 13:12; 1Jn.1:7; Rev.5:9

4. Pray for no distractions of any kind, that would hinder the message.

1 Pet.3:7; 1Thess.2:18;

5. Pray that His Holy Spirit will be poured out and fill this place.

Acts 2:1-4; 10:45; 1Kings 8:6-11; Isa.6:1-3

6. Pray that His Word would go forth and not return to Him void.

Isa.55:11; Ps.119:105,160; Ps.147:15-20; Prov.30:5; Rm.10:17; Col.3:16; 2Tim.4:2-5

7. Pray that God's will be accomplished today.

Mt. 26:39; Mt.6:10; 7:21; Ran.8:26,27; 12:1,2

8. Pray the Holy Spirit strengthens and empowers the pastor and his message.

Rom.8:14; In.16:13; Ps.28:7-9; Isa.40:29-31; 41:10; Ps.18:1-3; 29:11

Outline for Praying for Your Pastor

by Jim Husband

Monday: Pray for your pastor's family:

- God's peace and protection
- A growing love relationship between pastor and spouse
- A commitment to quality and quantity time together

Tuesday: Pray for wisdom for your pastor.

- The mind of Christ
- Godly decision-making
- Understanding of biblical truth

Wednesday: Pray for the ministry focus of your pastor.

- Clear vision
- Commitment to biblical priorities
- Remain true to his or her God-given gifts and strengths

Thursday: Pray for the health of your pastor.

- Protection of body and mind
- An extra portion of stamina and strength
- Commitment to stress-releasing activity

Friday: Pray for spiritual growth of your pastor.

- A heart for God and the lost
- Fresh biblical insights
- Personal devotions not related to sermon preparation

Saturday: Pray for the purity of your pastor.

- Pure motives
- Pure thought-life and faithfulness to spouse
- Pure commitment to complete integrity

Sunday: Pray for God's anointing on your pastor.

- Strength in leadership
- Passion in preaching
- Fruit and joy in ministry